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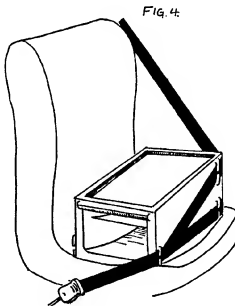
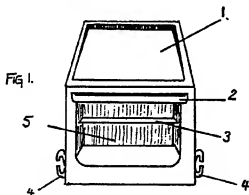
(54) **Removable desk for a vehicle**

(57) A desk for a vehicle with a conveniently sloped and lipped surface 1 to ease the writing of, or reference to documents.

The desk contains storage space 2, 3, 5 for stationery and/or other goods.

The desk has clips 4 on both sides to secure its position in left or right hand drive vehicles and a rounded bottom to fit neatly into the seat.

The desk can be easily removed with one hand for convenience and stored in an upright position.



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FIG 1.

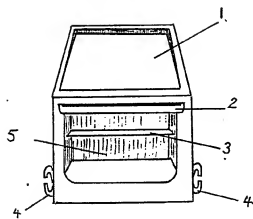


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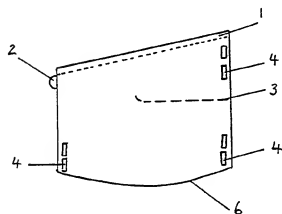
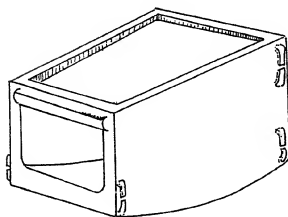


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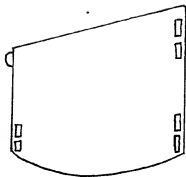
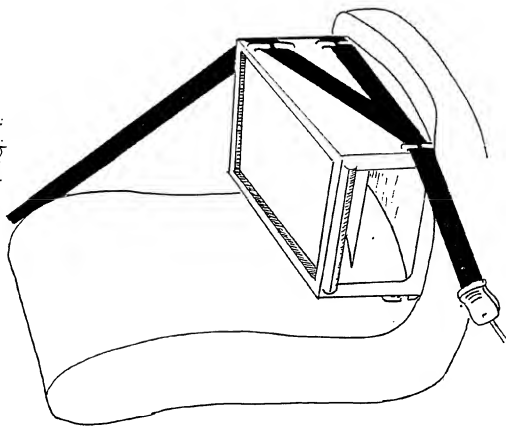


FIG. 4



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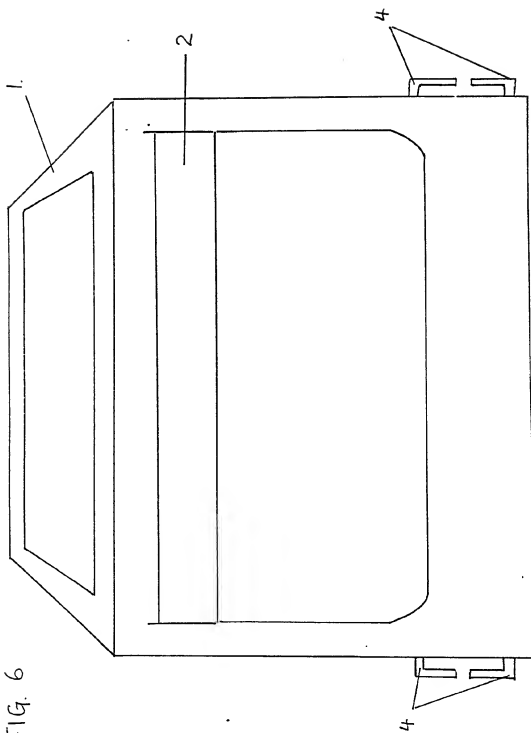
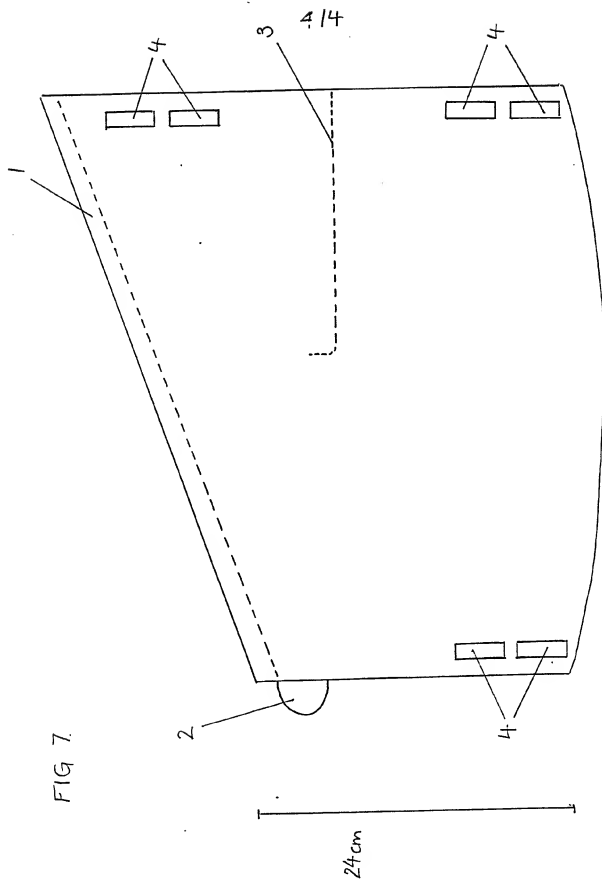


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REMOVABLE DESK FOR A VEHICLE

This invention relates to a removable desk for a vehicle.

This invention is primarily designed for people who spend a high proportion of their time working from their car, van or lorry. However it is equally useful for general or leisure pursuits as well.

According to the present invention the desk is a body essentially based on a box, made from durable plastic. The top is sloped to provide a convenient surface to rest on should writing have to be done. It also makes reference to texts easier.

The desk provides storage space for stationery, documents and other goods.

The sides of the desk have features that enable a safety belt to hold the desk securely in position on the front passenger seat, thus providing a facility for organization.

A specific embodiment of the invention will now be described by way of example with reference to the accompanying drawings in which:-

Figure 1 shows in perspective the front view of the desk

Figure 2 shows the side view of the desk

Figure 3 shows a perspective view of the desk

Figure 4 shows the desk fastened into a vehicle

Figure 5 shows the desk in a standing position

Figure 6 shows a front plan of the desk with a reference to scale

Figure 7 shows a side plan of the desk with a reference to scale

Referring to Figure 1 the desk comprises a sloping top 1 to facilitate writing or reading. There is a lipped edge to this feature to help prevent movement or loss of documents held here as the vehicle is in motion. There is a pen holder 2 for convenient storage of stationery. There is a lipped shelf 3 within the storage compartment 5 for added storage space.

Referring to Figures 1 and 2, there are clips 4 through which a seat belt can be passed to secure the desk into position as in Figure 4. These clips are identical on both sides of the desk so that the desk can be easily used in left hand drive vehicles as well.

There is a rounded bottom 6 to the desk so that the desk fits snugly in the seat as illustrated in Figure 4.

The desk can also be conveniently removed from the vehicle once the seat belt has been released by holding onto the top front edge with one hand, leaving the other hand free to close the vehicle door. The desk can then be temporarily stored in a standing position, without spillage of contents as illustrated in Figure 5.

CLAIMS

- 1 A removable desk for a vehicle that enables the user to refer to and/or write on documents with ease and also provides convenient storage facilities for stationery and general goods.
- 2 A removable desk for a vehicle as claimed in Claim 1 wherein means are provided on both sides of the body to prevent movement in left or right hand drive vehicles.
- 3 A removable desk for a vehicle as claimed in Claim 1 or Claim 2 wherein the body has a rounded bottom to fit neatly into a vehicle seat.
- 4 A removable desk for a vehicle as claimed in Claim 1, Claim 2 or Claim 3 wherein the desk can be easily stored on its back.
- 5 A removable desk for a vehicle substantially as described herein with reference to Figures 1-7 of the accompanying drawings.

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